

APPENDIX TO THE AMENDMENT

Amendments to the claims:

14. (Amended) An [The] anti-deflagrating operating actuator [according to claim 13 wherein] , integrally protected against deflagration and having an external protection housing that is formed in a shape that outlines internal parts of the actuator,
said actuator comprising:

an upper half shell including a flange;

a lower half shell including a cylindrical mantle and a circular plug;

a first threaded coupling having left-handed threading [is] located between the cylindrical mantle and the flange; and

a second threaded coupling having right-handed threading [is] located between the cylindrical mantle and the circular plug.

16. (New) A method of assembling the anti-deflagrating actuator of claim 14, comprising the steps of:

engaging a left-handed threading of the cylindrical mantle with a left-handed threading of the flange;

engaging a right-handed threading of the cylindrical mantle with a right-handed threading of the circular plug; and

rotating the cylindrical mantle relative to the flange and to the circular plug.